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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Promoting Investment in the 3550-3700 MHz Band,

GN Docket No. 17-258 – Notice of Ex Parte Communication

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, August 2, Leonard A. Steinberg of Alaska Communications, and Richard R. Cameron and I, met with Erin McGrath of Commissioner O'Rielly's office, concerning the above-captioned proceeding. In this meeting, Alaska Communications discussed the importance of the Citizens Broadband Radio Service for broadband availability in rural Alaska, and urged that the licensing rules for the Priority Access Licenses be flexible so as to accommodate unique conditions in Alaska. For example, licensing by county or borough would not ensure that the entire state of Alaska would receive coverage. Alaska Communications proposes the use of Game Management Units for Alaska PALs. Alaska Communications also proposes bidding credits for incumbent CBRS service providers using the band to satisfy FCC obligations such as Connect America Fund broadband build-out requirements.

The substance of Alaska Communications' advocacy in this meeting is set forth in its comments in this proceeding (filed December 28, 2017). Please direct any questions concerning this matter to me.

Respectfully submitted,

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